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In re Application of

FRAAS et al.

Serial No. 08/835,419

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Examiner: A. Doroshenk

For: PRETREATMENT PROCESS TO REMOVE OXYGEN FROM COAL EN ROUTE TO A COAL PYROLYSIS PROCESS AS A MEANS OF IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF THE HYDROCARBON LIQUID PRODUCT

RESPONSE

To the Director of the Patent and Trademark Office

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 9, 2002, kindly amend the application as follows.

Kindly enter and approve the following, which is a clean copy of each replacement paragraph/section/claim incorporating the respective changes made, previously as well as concurrently, with the concurrent changes shown on separate sheet(s) attached hereto and entitled "Version with markings to show changes made".

No new matter has been added by the amendment(s).

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In the Claims:

Claim 5 has been cancelled without prejudice.

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